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Dear Mr. Bishop:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A of your report discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act (copies attached). You should examine all of your contributions to check for additional excessives. The Committee's procedures for processing contributions should also be reviewed.

An individual or a political committee other than a qualified multicandidate committee may not make a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$1,000 per election. A qualified multicandidate committee and all affiliated committees may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election. The term "contribution" includes any gift, subscription, loan, advance, or deposit of money or anything of value made by any person for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office. (2 U.S.C. §441a(a) and (f); 11 CFR §110.1(b), (e) and (k))

If the contribution(s) in question was not completely or correctly reported, you should amend your original report using the new or corrected information. If the contribution(s) exceeds the limits, you should either refund to the donor the amount in excess of \$1,000 or request a written redesignation and/or reattribution of the contribution(s) from the donor. All refunds, redesignations, and reattributions must be made within sixty days